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# Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

MARTWICK, ANDREW W.

Examiner

Glenn A. Auve

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-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

## Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 2 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- If the period for reply specified above is less than thirty (30) days, a reply within the statutory minimum of thirty (30) days will be considered timely.
- If NO period for reply is specified above, the maximum statutory period will apply and will expire SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

## Status

- 1) ☐ Responsive to communication(s) filed on \_\_\_\_.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☒ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

## Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-34 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☒ Claim(s) 1-19 is/are allowed.
- 6) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ is/are rejected.
- 7) ☒ Claim(s) 20-34 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

## Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

## Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
  - ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_.
  - ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

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## Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date \_\_\_\_.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)  
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. \_\_\_\_.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_.

## DETAILED ACTION

### *Reissue Applications*

1. The original patent, or a statement as to loss or inaccessibility of the original patent, must be received before this reissue application can be allowed. See 37 CFR 1.178.
2. Claims 20-34 are objected to because they are not in the proper reissue format. Any material added to the patent as issued must be underlined, therefore all of the new claims must be underlined in their entirety. While these new claims are not in the proper format, in order to expedite prosecution, the examiner has considered the new claims on their merits. However, applicant must file an amendment putting the claims into the proper form before the case could be allowed. See MPEP §2153 and 37 CFR 1.173(d).

It is also noted that applicant has attempted to amend the title. However this amendment is also not in the proper form for a reissue application. The word being deleted should be contained within square brackets, not struck through.

Also, new claim 29 contains a superfluous right bracket ( ] ) on line 3.

3. With respect to the reissue declaration it is noted that the applicant's signature is dated April 5, 2003. The application was filed on December 19, 2003, and this filing date is referenced in the reissue declaration. It appears that applicant probably meant April 5, 2004, next to his signature. In any event, as noted in MPEP § 602.05 the Office no longer requires a new oath or declaration based on an oath or declaration being stale. However in order to make the record complete the examiner points out the date of signing of the declaration, and applicant may wish to comment on this issue or voluntarily file another reissue declaration.

***Allowable Subject Matter***

4. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter: As noted in the parent patent, none of the prior art shows the claimed fetching of instructions from the system management memory regardless of a system management interrupt address received from the processor.

***Conclusion***

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. The newly cited references show other SMI handling systems, but neither of them shows the claimed limitations noted above.

6. This application is in condition for allowance except for the following formal matters:

As noted above, the amendment is not in the proper reissue format and applicant must surrender the original patent before the reissue application can be allowed.

Prosecution on the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

A shortened statutory period for reply to this action is set to expire **TWO MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter.

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Glenn A. Auve whose telephone number is (703) 305-9638. Some time in October 2004 the examiner's telephone number will change to (571) 272-3623. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Th 8:00 AM-5:30 PM, every other Friday off.

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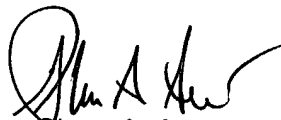
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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Mark Rinehart can be reached on (703) 305-4815. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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